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## RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

This is a response to the Office Action dated August 12, 2004, which requires a restriction election to be made between the following groups of claims:

Group I: Claim 1-6, 13-17 and 24, drawn to a method for providing automated reporting, classified in class 705, subclass 7.

Group II: Claims 7-12 and 18-22, drawn to a method for providing automated reporting, classified in class 705, subclass 28.

Group III: Claims 23, 25 and 26, drawn to a supply reporting system, classified in class 705, subclass 28.